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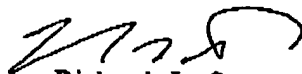
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REMARKS:

Dear Examiner Graser:

As discussed, a Rule 116 Amendment follows.

Best Regards,



Richard L. Stevens, Jr.

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: David R. Nelson. **GROUP:** 1645
SERIAL NO: 09/915,706 **EXAMINER:** Jennifer Graser
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FOR: A LIVE, AVIRULENT STRAIN OF
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V. ANGUILLARUM AND METHOD FOR
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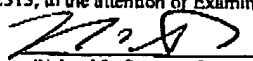
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Sir:

RULE 116 AMENDMENT

In response to the Final Office Action mailed September 22, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

I hereby certify that this amendment is being sent on October 21, 2003 by facsimile (703-872-9306) addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, Arlington, VA 22313, to the attention of Examiner Jennifer Graser of Art Unit 1645.


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